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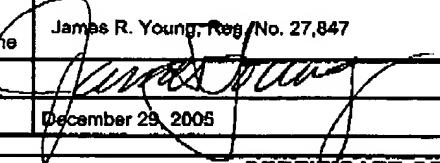
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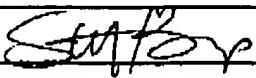
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RESPONSE REGARDING EXAMINER'S REQUEST REGARDING
RECORD OF INTERVIEW OF 19 APRIL 2005

Sir:

In response to the Office Communication mailed November 30, 2005, and as discussed with Examiner Strimbu by telephone on December 6, 2005, the applicant actually had already submitted a record of the substance of the interview with Examiner Strimbu, which took place in Examiner Strimbu's office on April 19, 2005. On July 29, 2005, the applicant submitted a communication entitled "Applicant's Statement Of The Substance Of The Interview Of 19 April 2005" by facsimile to the Patent and Trademark Office, Fax No. 571-273-8300, along with a copy of the Interview Summary signed by Examiner Strimbu. Unfortunately, those documents were entered by the Patent and Trademark Office into the Patent Application Information Retrieval (PAIR) system under the misleading label of "Letter Requesting Interview with Examiner", albeit with the correct Mail Room date of 7/29/2005, which may have caused the examiner to overlook it and thereby to issue the Office Communication mailed November 30, 2005.

In the December 6, 2005, telephone call from applicant's attorney, James R. Young, Examiner Strimbu confirmed that a copy of "Applicant's Statement Of The Substance Of The Interview Of 19 April 2005" had been received and suggested that a substantive response to the

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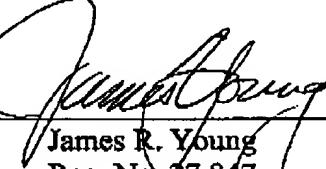
Office Communication is probably not necessary. Therefore, this response to the November 30, 2005, Office Communication is being submitted as a formality to meet the one (1) month response requirement in that paper.

If anything else is required from the applicant, the examiner is requested to let the applicant know by contacting the applicant's attorney at the telephone number listed below.

Respectfully Submitted,
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Dated: December 29, 2005

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